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**AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE TO EXTEND PREPARATION AND SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES  
ADOPTING CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS (P&S) SERVICES CONTRACT NUMBER  
76929**

This is to inform the Board that I used delegated authority as provided in the Board letter adopted by your Board on February 3, 2009, to execute Amendment Number One to extend Preparation and Support for Families Adopting Children with Special Needs (P&S) Services Contract Number 76929 with The Regents of the University of California for one additional year, effective March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011, and add the Los Angeles County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program provision. The annual cost is \$270,110, financed with 50 percent (\$135,055) federal revenue, 35 percent (\$94,539) state revenue, and 15 percent (\$40,517) net County cost.

The contracted services are to provide sensitive adoption services through core training to help prepare, educate, and support prospective adoptive families who are discouraged from adopting children with prenatal exposure to alcohol and other drugs. Children with prenatal substance abuse exposure, biological vulnerabilities, multiple placements, and/or abuse and neglect constitute more than 80 percent of children available for adoption through DCFS.

If you have any questions or need additional information, you may call me at (213) 351-5600 or your staff may contact Armand Montiel, Board Liaison, at (213) 351-5530.

Thank you.

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c: Chief Executive Officer  
County Counsel  
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

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